CASTRO HEEDLESS OF DEMANDS MADE ON HIS COUNTRY

inited States Warships May Be Sent to Venezuela to Settle Existing Dispute.

DIPLOMACY TO BE USED.

State Department Hesitates to Make a Show of Force Against South American Country.

ASPHALT TROUBLE THE CAUSE.

Courts Refuse to Pass on Case of American Company, and Delay Is Reason for International Dispute.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Washington, Jan. 20. -At the critical functure of negotiations which promises settlement of menacing differences between the United States and Venezuela. President Castro has rashly tightened the

mose around his own neck. Drastic action, backed up by men and terests in Venezuela, is now withheld in the bare hope that diplomacy may render unnecessary the use of force.

The State Department feared the die containing a punitive expedition to Venezue le had been cast to-by when Minister Bowen reported from Caracas that President Castro had left the capital officially

Familiar with Castro's practices, the State Department knows that the dictastarted for a tour of Venezuela, throwing to the wind all thoughts of the Republic's straits, and will give himself over to merrymaking and dancing, perhaps for weeks. In this time it will be next to impossible for any questions of state to be consid-

This action is the culmination of a series of incidents, embarrassing to the United States, and steadily destructive of what slight chances existed amicably of settling the Venezuelan tangle.

The chief incident was the setzure of the property of the New York and Bermudez and proposed the name of Deputy Com-Asphalt Company by a receiver named by the Venezuelan courts. The company has complained to the United States that its appeal from this was doomed to defeat because of the influence exercised on the read the instructions from Mr. Bates. The ouris by Castro. The State Department believes this to be true, and has made reproted representations, but to little avail.

Meanwhile the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company has again requested the United States to act in its behalf. The have Department has come to the conche ion that compulsory action is necesfrom Minister Bowen before taking extreme steps. The Department of Justice burger. is at work upon an opinion on the influence exercised by President Castro upon the Progres of Venezuela

This will show that there is no chance equity for any foreign interest opposed to Castro in Venezuela, and that if Amerlean rights are to be protected there the rented States, and not the courts of Venezuela, is the medium to do it.

The Atlantic fleet in the Caribbean is tronger than it has ever been before, The compulsory measures in contemplation will be the dispatch of warships to La Guayra. The sight of them is expected to work a change in Castro's attitude.

ARMY OF ANGRY STRIKERS SWARM ST. PETERSBURG.

next few days might bring forth was increased by the reports that the workmen Moscow, Kieff, Kharkoff, Kishinev, and other large cities in the interior might join the mexement

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While the Government and employers temporized, the telegraphers and rational employes threatened to join the walkout, paralyzing the communications of the Many foreigners are preparing to send their families abroad. Every newspaper in St. Petersburg has been forced to suspend publication owing to

The suidenness of the strike, and the far-reaching nature of the workmen's orcanization was largely a surprise to the the walkout of a few thousand employes of the Putiloff Iron Works due to purely industrial causes, it spread as rapidly as s conflagration through the laboring

lasses of St. Petersburg and became general.
At first only industrial demands were presented, such as shortening the hours of labor and for increases of wages; but poverty and discontent under the incitement of Socialistic Democratic agitators led to the formulation of political de-

CAPITALISTIC SYSTEM.

A petition was drawn up and largely signed, which, going beyond the complaints on which the strike originated, attacked the whole capitalistic system of the country, bitterly assailed the present Government as one of bureaucracy, and demanded the reform of both, asserting that death was preferable to existence under such conditions. This was to have been presented personally to Emperor

A deputation of workmen endeavored to see his Majosty at Sarskoe Selo, and ap-peal to him to come to the Winter Palace Surpley to be present at an immense demanstration of the industrial classes. It was planned to have all the workmen in St. Petershare, headed by their leader, the priest Gopon, in full gurgeous canonical garb, march to the palace and assem-ble in the great parade ground in front.

SULLY'S SEAT IS SOLD. Cotton Operator's Seat

Change Brings \$76,000.

DEPUTY SUCCEEDS

Council Elects James A. Smith **Building Commissioner Aft**er Some Hesitation.

DETERMINED LEGAL STRUGGLE

Deposed Official Seeks to Restrain His Removal-Perplexing Situation Relieved-Appointment Is Approved.

James A. Smith, Deputy Building Commissioner, was chosen by the Council yesterday afternoon to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of George U. Heimburger by Mayor Wells last Tuesday. The election was practically unanimous. his name being the only one presented to the Council. Mr. Smith has two years to

The appointment was the culmination of a day of worry and anxiety on the part of Mayor Wells, City Counselors Bates and Woerner, and the heads of the various city departments. It was made in the face of the most determined legal struggle in the history of the city by Mr. Heimburger, the deposed Commissioner, and his attorneys, Messra. Bell and Frum-

Up to the very last moment the aid of the courts was invoked to restrain the Council from electing Mr. Heimburger's successor, although an opinion from Mr. Bates clearly stated that the writ of certiorari granted by Judge Kinsey had no injunctive jurisdiction as far as the elecguns, to enforce justice for American in- tion of a new Building Commissioner was concerned.

The Council, however, hesitated, and several of the members of that body consulted their attorneys before becoming a party to the proceedings. After the time for the convening of the Council a Deputy Sheriff hastened into the chamber and handed each of the members of that body a summons. The serving had the effect of temporarily causing a halt in the proposed election. It was learned, however. ter, accompanied by a brass band, has now that there was nothing restraining in the documents, and after retiting to one of the committee rooms the Councilmen filed in and took their seats.

The gallery was filled with spectators awaiting the action of the Council, and auditorium accommodated many friends of the deposed Commissioner. It was immediately evident that the Council had decided to act according to the instructions of the City Counselor. A motion to suspend all business and proceed to the election of the new Commissioner was adopted. Councilman Rolfes arose missioner Smith. He was seconded by Mr.

DEPUTY IS ELECTED.

President Hornsby then had the clerk

clause of the opinion upon which the Coun-The operation of the writ is merely to remove the proceedings of the trial from the Mayor's office to the Circuit Court for a review

Conneil or any act the Council may take on the wary, but awalts further detailed reports vacancy in the office of the Building Com-

> when the Mayor found him culty and removed confine in court, and the operation of the

> operate to put Mr. Helmburger back into effice. A vote was then taken on Mr. Smith, he being the only candidate for the position. Councilmen Boyce, Gibson, Hitch-Sheeban, Spiegelhalter, Marks, Newell Polfes Markham and President Hornsby east their ballot for Smith Mr. Lawlor being the only member present

> who did not vate. The election was final and takes effect immediately. In proposing Mr. Smith's name, Councilman Rolfes stated that the Deputy Commissioner had received the indersement of the Charter of Architects and was emitently qualified to fill the

Building Commissioner with an enviable record. His activity and insistance on the owners of theaters complying with the building ordinances after the Iroquois Theater disaster, brought him prominently before the public eye.

At that time Mr. Smith, acting in Mr. Helmburger's absence, began such a vigorous crusade against the theaters West Belle place, where she was known that many of them temporarily suspended business. His efforts in this direction were n a large measure responsible for the new building ordinance of the city now before the Council.

Mr. Smith has been responsible in a great measure for the holding up of the ordinance. His determination to have the penalty clauses of the ordinance enacted. with several other points of vital interest to the welfare and safety of the public in public buildings, has caused a deadlock between the two branches of the Municiral Assembly, with the result that a conference committee has been appointed to confer on the provisions of the measure.

MAN OF EXPERIENCE

The new Building Commissioner is 38 years old. He came to this city when 6 years old, and received his education in the Christian Brothers College and St. Louis University. His first instruction in Louis University. His first instruction in architecture was received in the office of Architect Mondschien. He afterwards opened an office at No. 486 Easten avenue as an architect. Later he formed a partnership with L. J. Silva, and did a commercial architects and builder's business. Later the firm dissolved, and Smith formed a partnership with his brother unfor the name of lames. formed a partnership with his brother un-der the name of James A. Smith & Bro. Under the firm name of Smith & Little, Mr. Smith was the architect for many prominent buildings in the city, the Co-ionial building and the Lewis place gate being testimonials of the firm's impor-tance. The firm was ghort-lived, Smith then organized the West End Physical Culture Cith, in the Exercise Cith build-Club in the Pastime Club build-andeventer avenue. The veniute Culture Club in the Pastime Club build-ing in Vandeventer avenue. The venture was successful. Shortly after the organi-nation of this club. Mr. Smith was ap-pointed an inspector on city buildings un-der C. F. Longfellow, then Building Commissioner. When Mr. Heimburger took office he made Mr. Smith the Deputy Building Commissioner in coarse of the

took office he made Mr. Smith the Deputy Building Commissioner, in charge of the permit department of the office.

Mr. Smith conduced the department along business lines. He organized the office in a club called the M. U. L. E. club, which meets each month at the Jefferson Club. Its motto is "More Understand Less Peror." Topics in building matters are regularly discussed by the organization, and it has asked not a little in facilitating the work of the department.

His long experience in the building business as contractor, architect and builder

New York, Jan. 26.—The Stock Exchange seat of Daniel J. Sully, the cotton operator, who failed almost a year ago, has been sold to Stuyvesant Fish Morris Jr., the reported price being \$50.00.

Mr. Sully had been a member of the exchange only a few weeks before he failed.

His long experience in the building host-ness as contractor, architect and builder makes the new Commissioner particularly qualified. He is one of the city's charter members of the Knights of Father Mathew and prominent in the councils of the Jefferson Club.

A vear ago Mr. Smith received a diamond-studied bailer from employes of the Building Commissioner's office.

The appointment causes general satisfaction at the City Hall.

CORROBORATE COOK'S STORY SAYS WATER RATES FOUR WITNESSES PARTIALLY OF ATTEMPT TO GET HIS VOTE.

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with the exception of Dryden of Kansas City and Dearing of Washin When it was remarked that two many dicurnments were being taken, Conkling

adjournments were being taken, Conkling of Carroll remarked that the State could well afford to pay the Assembly for adjourning on some days. The resolution was finally adopted in the House by a vote of Si to Si.

During the discussion a telegram from Senator Cockrell to Chairman Conkling of the House Democratic caucus, in which the Senator stated that an adjournment could be taken over Saturday, was read to the House.

PREWITT WILL RETURN TO CAPITAL TUESDAY.

Nevada, Mo., Jan. 20.-Judge W. H. Prewitt, Vernon County's representative, who was called home by the death of his mother, will return to Jefferson City The body of Mr. Prewitt's mother was taken to Lexington for burial.

ST. JOSEPH CITY OFFICIALS APPEAL FOR NIEDRINGHAUS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 29.-City officials are preparing a petition to be forwarded to Jefferson City, demanding of the Legislature that it stand by the action of the caucus and elect Thomas Niedringhaus as Senator. Not all the signers are original Niedringhaus rien, but they say the deci-sion of the caucus should be binding, since Republicans of all complexions of factional faith participated in it.

RESOLUTIONS CONDEMN ACTION OF GRACE.

Resolutions condemning the action of Representative Grace for refusing to support Thomas K. Niedringhaus, the cau-

ported him.

A copy of the resolutions was forwarded to Doctor Alonzo Tubbs, chairman of the Republican caucus at Jefferson City.

JAP WARSHIPS ARE IN MALACCA STRAIT

Thought to Be the Same Cruisers Which Sailed in Early Part of Month.

Penang, Jan. M .- Four Japanese warships are reported to be in the vicinity of Lankava Islands, forty miles north of

(Note -The Lankara Islands are in the Malac ca Strait between Simatra Island and the Malay Peninsula. Dispatches early in Janunty stated that Jananeze cruisers were sighted at Manila, while others were reported cruising in San Bernardino Strait in the Philippines. Japanese twiedo-boars and destrovers were reported at the same time north of Borneo. The vessels now in Malacca Strait may be these same cruisers, or others of the same squadron, it was subsequently reported that Japanese vessels were approaching the Chicas Islands—the point where the two divisions of the Ballet.

WATER IS TO BE PUMPED FROM PORT ARTHUR HARBOR

Tokio, Jan. 3.-It has been proposed to dam Port Arthur harbor at the entrance and pump out the water preparatory to salving the Russian war vessels. Discussing the matter a naval officer to-day said that under ordinary circum-stances such a great work would be un-profitable, but in view of the number of ships possibly salvable and the shallow-ness and smallness of the harbor, it may be the most economical method.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. Sec.

ACUUSED OF THEFT IN VARIOUS HOUSES.

Blanche Howard Arrested, Charged With Stealing Goods at Boarding Place and Hospital.

Charged with the theft of goods amounting in value to several hundreds of dollars at various places where she has been rooming of late a woman giving her name as Blanche Howard is held in the

Eighth District Police Station. She was arrested yesterday at No. 639 seven children. as Mrs. Mergan. She is accused or suspected of the theft of goods from the Ep-worth Hospital, on Bell avenue, as well as from two houses where she has roomed lately and according to the police, has infessed to stealing a portion of

From the home of Mrs. Lillian Kene-From the home of Mrs. Idilian Kenedy at No. 2018 Lawton avenue, where she roomed for a time, she is accussed of having taken 25 in money, a handsome dress skirt and a set of furs. At the home of Mrs. Dully No. 2608 Olive, where she also bearied for a time, she is charged with having taken clothes valued at 250.

While a patient in the Epoworth institution at No. 2019 Bell avenue she is said to have taken a pockethook containing money. According to police announcements she has turned over a part of the money. According to ponce announcements, she has turned over a part of the money, amounting to about \$18, and has confessed to some of the peculations.

She will be moved to the Central District Station to-day, and a warrant will be applied for against her.

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YOAKUM SAID TO HAVE BOUGHT COLORADO LINE.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL New York, Jan. 28-It was reported in financial circles to-day that Benjamin F. Youkum, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Raffroad, had purchased the Colorado Springs and Cripple Creek District Railway, which runs from Colorado

Railway, which runs from Colorado Springs to Cripple Creek, a distance of fotty-six miles, and having branches which make up a total of seventy-five miles. The road is also fed by electric lines, and has been owned and operated in the interest of mine owners of the Cripple Creek district.

The purchase price was not made public, but it is said Mr. Yoakum has made the initial payment of something in excess of \$10.000 to bind the bargain. The "Cripple Creek Short Line" has a capital stock of \$1.20.000 common and \$20.000 feer-out noncumulative preferred stock. per-cent noncumulative preferred stock and its funded debt amounts to \$1,25,000

Dies From Morphine. Led Kerler a laborer out of work and homeless, was found unconscious in a room at No. 528 South Fourth street last night shortly after midnight. He died on his way to the City Hospital. Little is known of the man. By his side was found a half-ounce bottle with six morphine pills. It is said be took: a large done of the poison. He was 20 years of age. He is not beave no relatives in the city.

ARE NOT EXCESSIVE

Charges to Manufacturers Are Fair and Equitable.

Asserts Price Sufficient to Insure Revenue Required to Maintain, Operate and Extend System Must Be Exacted.

A positive and apparently unassailable the first nine months of the fiscal year its accompanying mists. 1994-1905. The document was submitted to

the Council yesterday. After treating the interest and publicdebt revenue in detail, the municipal reve-Mr. Player states will be entirely sufficient to meet all the demands of the different departments at the close of the fiscal year, the Comptroller takes up the Waterworks question.

Mr. Player states that the balance to cost of operating expenses, construction sary for the brief stay. and improvements, is remarkably close to the estimate made at the beginning of the fiscal year for this purpose. He declares cus nominee for the United States Senate. this satisfactory condition is entirely due were adopted by the Twenty-second Ward to the fair and equitable administration Republican League Club at a meeting of the ordinance fixing the rates and the

Thursday night at the Hamilton Club. Beaumont and Pine streets. The resolutions were introduced by Charles A. Day and seconded by H. W. Beck.

It is set forth that Mr. Grace secured the nomination for the Legislature principally on account of his friendship for Mr. Niedringhaus, and that his action in deserting him is directly against the wishes of those who nominated and supported him.

Of the ordinance fixing the rates and the systematic collection of the water licenses during the inst five years.

There can be no difference of opinion as to the judicious expenditive in the past of large amounts of money in the creation of undoubtedly the most complete and highly efficient system of Waterworks in the country.

"Any reduction in the rates, therefore.

systematic collection of the water licenses during the last five years.

The report says:

There can be no difference of epinion as to the judicious expenditure in the past of large amounts of money in the creation of undeubtedly the most complete and highly efficient system of Water-works in the country.

"Any reduction in the rates, therefore, at this time would be in the nature of a hazardous experiment and could not possibly be justified by endeavoring to meet the low rates fixed by cities such as Chicago, Detroit and Cleveland, where but one system of pumping is required and where the water is free from heavy suspended matter.

RATES ARE NOT EXORBITANT. RATES ARE NOT EXORBITANT.

"The Waterworks bonded indebtedness of St. Louis is phenomenally small in proportion to the debt imposed on the systems in other large cities and the present

portion to the debt imposed on the systems in other large cities and the present rates to consumers are certainly not exorbitant by comparison.

"It has even been suggested that the meter rates to a certain class of large consumers should be reduced from 12% cents to 2 cents per 1,200 gillons, and that the minus quantity in the Waterworks revenue fund thereby created be supplied or filled in by the process of a special increase of 1 cent on the \$100 valuation in the rate of taxatlon for purely maneignal purposes, thereby transferring the greater part of the burden of paying for water used by these large consumers from the consumers to the people generally.

"Such a proposition cannal, of course, be entertained, because, in the first place, no part of the proceeds of a tax for municipal purposes can now, under the present Charter provisions, be diverted to the maintenance of the Waterworks or the extension of the system; and besides, no vater rate can be allowed or fixed on any other principle or consideration than that of producing revenue, exceptional discrimination in rates being prohibited. The installation of meters and the fixing of meter rates should be undertaken with the greatest caution.

"It is the common experience where the system of flat rates has been abandoned for meter rates, fluencial streeking has

It is the common experience where the system of flat rates has been abandoned for meter rates. Summind wherehold has followed, and when the time comes that meters are commonly and generally used in St. Louis, it will be an anatodiable necessity in order to prevent failure and loss in the conduct of the system to fix in each class. a minimum of consumerton each class. class, a minimum and at the same time establish a - to cient to insure the revenue required for the maintenance, operation and extension

of the system.

"I hope that the plain provisions of the charter relating to the Waterworks, both as to the extension of the plant and the distribution of the revenue, will be carefully observed, and that no radical step in the direction of further reductions in rates will be taken in the near future.

"When the extension and improvements contemplated by the officials in charge of the Waterworks have been completed every feature of our Waterworks system will be in nearfect condition and capable of providing a water supply sufficient for over one million inhabitants."

FUNERAL OF COLONEL BROWN TAKES PLACE TO-MORROW.

The funeral of Colonel W. R. Brown of Metropolis, Ill., who died yesterday at the residence of his son, W. R. Brown Jr., at No. 96 North Thirty-third street, East 2. 806 North Thirty-third street. East Louis, where he had lived for the last ree years, will take place to-morrow, he heady will be shipped to Metropolis Brown was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1832. He callisted in the Union Army the outbreak of the Civil War and gain the rank of Colonel. He is survived

MISS STEVENSON IS ENGAGED.

Niece of Former Vice President Will Wed Dr. Wm. Haves,

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 29.-The engagement was announced to-day of Doctor William Haves of Greensburg, Pa., and Miss Ida Stevenson, niece of former Vice President A. E. Stevenson, and one of the eading society girls of Bloomington. The wedding will take place in June.

LEAVES ST. LOUIS

Comptroller Player Declares J. Waldere Kirk, Despite His \$125 Vest, Is Obscured by the Weather for Ten Days.

HAZARDOUS TO REDUCE THEM. OUTDONE IN UNION STATION.

Meets H. Irwin Marks, Who springs Something New in Stickpins-Three Changes in Fifteen Minutes.

Arrayed in a dazzling get-up, which instand on the water-rate controversy be-tween the city and the manufacturers of of the Dudes," left St. Louis last night St. Louis is taken by Comptroller Player after having been totally obscured durin his report on the city's finances for ing his ten-day stay by the bilizzard and

He took with him on his return to Chicago. Mrs. Kirk, her maid, a man servant. three dogs, two bundles of walking sticks, five hat boxes and nineteen trunks. Two of the trunks contained nothing but the latest-patterned shoes.

Mr. Kirk apologized for the scarcity of "leggage" with the explanation that the party had merely made a flying trip to Comptroller Player and Commis-St. Louis and had brought with them only the credit of this fund, after meeting the such appurel as was absolutely neces

The man to whom New York, with its dizzy Broadway, has humbly bowed and acknowledged itself outdone, was bitterly disappointed over the fact that the weather had not been such that he could give Olive street a treat.

"Aw, say," ventured Mr. Kirk, while taking a turn about the hotel lobby, prior to his departure, "a've been enged up in It's been a perfect boo-ar to dress six times a day with no one but the bell— the bell-hops aw think you call them—to note the change aw my appawell. "This weather is deucei—perfectly

deuced.

"But you'll be surnwized when you see what aw have accomplished, despite the weathaw. This vest with its amethyst buttons has been simply a sensation. Simply a sensation. Without it no gentleman can considaw himself well dressed. A numbaw of your best people have ordered them."

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Mr. Kirk then fell into an eloquent discourse on the beauties of his latest creation. The vest is quite simple. On a background of black silk are woven thickly scrolls of white. The pockets are banked with flaps, bordered with black silk braid, an inch in width. The buckle is of gold.

In attiring himself for his trip to Chicago, the "King of Dudes" donned a brown derly, white-wing collar, black puff tie, a pear-shaped pearl stick-pin, white stiff-bosomed shirt with tindd red stripes, the vest, a three-button dark cutaway, bound in flat black braid, tronsers of the same, a gray serke Beau Brummell paddock that touched his shee tops, gloves of gray and patent buttoned pumps.

At Union Station Mr. Kirk met H. Irwin Marks of New York, a theatrical promoter, en reute to Hot Springs. Mr. Marks is something of a dresser himself, Mr. Kirk had the edge, however, until Mr. Marks drew from his pocket his pin case, and during the course of the fifteenminute chat, changed his stick pins three times.

Even Mr. Kirk was nonpiussed, and

FARMER KILLS HIS FRIEND THINKING HIM ANOTHER MAN.

Jack Hewitt Shoots Claude Flanders Who Was Coming to Farmer's

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Shawneetown, Ill., Jan. 9 - Jack Hewitt. farmer, shot and instantly killed Claude Flunders, a young man 3) years old, at he Hewitt residence, fourteen miles west of this city, about 6 o'clock last evening mistaking him for another man, who h

mys had threatened his life. Hewitt says that he saw Flanders comng up through his yard acting as though he was trying to frighten him. Flanders it to sald, was firing his revolver. Hewitt thinking it was another person, secured his shotgun and shot him from the door-

Neighbors who heard the shooting went to the Hewitt home and found Flanders lying in the front yard dead. The entire contents of the shotgun had entered his

face and head. It developed at the Coroner's inquest that Flanders was going to Hewitt's house to me his sweetheart, who was there having her wedding dress made. She and Planders were to have been married in the near future.]
Hewitt was incorsolable when he learned that he had killed Flanders, since

learned that he had killed Flanders, since he and the young man had always been the best of friends.

The Coroner's jury held Hewitt for the Grand Jury. He was brought to this city and placed in juli. He waived the pre-liminary examination before Judge Prier and his bond was fixed at \$1,590. Hewitt says that he can easily fill the bond.

Savers and Herrara Draw. Milwaukee Wis. Jan. 2t.—Maurice Sayers of Milwaukee and Aurelio Herrera of California fought a fast six-round draw before the Milwaukee Poaing Club tendent. The men were in the best of condition and put up a fast best. Maurice Thompson of Hatte, Mont. won the decision over Mickey Riey of Milwaukee, and Young Mahoney of Racine got the decision over Joe Korid of Chicago, in the six-round preliminaries.

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CHARGE OF DELAY CEYLON

sioner Simon Are Asked to Point Out Building Repairs Held Up.

The ire of the House of Delegates was thoroughly aroused last night. The delegates indignantly repudiated the suggestion that any neasures pertaining to repairs on city institutions, in which aged the Plawnters till aw feel quite fatigued. and disabled it mates were kept, were held up in that brench of the Municipal Assembly.

The excitement reached its climax when Delegate Wiedmer introduced a resolution calling upon Health Commissions John H. Simon and Comptroller Player to point out any ordinances relating to work on these institutions that had been held up in the House of Delegates. The resolution went through with only

one dissenting voice. The controversy which may develop into a feud between the Health Department and the Comptroller on one side and the House of Dele-

troller on one side and the House of Delegates on the other, arose over an alleged statement of the two city officials that an epidemic is likely at any time, owing to the dilatory methods of the hiouse of Delegates in enacting measures for the relief of the city institutions.

Numerous improvement bills were read for the first time. Delegate Hageman introduced a bill for the relief of Mary Georgius, Piur Huber and Flora H. Jones, who have structures erected for World's Fair purposes existing in violation to the city's bullding laws, it is said. The ordinance provides for an extension of the time limit of four months. Each of the parties affected are under bonds to the extent of \$2.000 to remove the buildings within a certain time after the Fair.

MANY ACTORS IN AUDIENCE AT THE GARRICK MATINEE.

More than 150 actors and actresses were present at the professional matines of "The Royal Chef," given yesterday afternoon at the Garrick. The musical comedy won a fine reception from the histrions. It happens but seldem that stage people see their fellow-

actors at work during a performance. And that they enjoy the experience was manifested more than once and by many different actors and actresses throughout

ferent actors and actresses throughout the afternoon.

Prominent among the actor-spectators was Miss Cecelia Loftus, who, with the leading members of her company, had boxes on the left side of the house. Miss Loftus was becomingly gowned and followed the musical comedy with keen interest and not a few smiles, which, especially when Lave Lewis gave his interpretation of the Royal Chef a grotesquature, resulfly throadened into a hugh.

Miss Virginia Harned could not attend, her indisposition of the early part of the week having not quite left her. But the beautiful Lady Shore of the Olympic engagement made amends by sending her entire company.

James J. Morton, Joseph Ainslee and Raymond and Caverly, from the Columbia, succeeding in seeing the entire third act, during witch Dave Lewis stretched out a bit for their delectation his kissing hee with Florence Holbrook, the Princess

with Florence Holbrook, the Princess hee with Florence Honoroos, the Frincess
Teto of the cast.
With few exceptions the Nixon-Zimmerman Opera Company, appearing at the Grand in "The Strollers," were on hand.
Pat Reilly and several members of his company came from the Standard.
No "Shenandoah" folk from the Odeon were on hand, their lot being to play a Grand avenue matince themselves. Invitations had been extended to the mechanics of the various states, and many of them came, with hox office attaches and others who had spare time during the afternoon.

St. Louis Democratic Club. The first regular meeting of the St. Louis Democratic Club will be held toright at the club's quarters, No. 2022 Olive street. Among the subjects for discussion is the proposition of appointing as Advisory Board of twenty members, on from each ward. Several other important

MISS DELLA AUSTIN Auxvaso. Mo., Jan. 28.—Miss Della Austin, 4 years old, died at the home of her parents t Calwood to-day. MRS. SAM ST. MART. Terrett, Tex. Jan. 20 -Mrs. Sam St. Mary, years old, died in this city last night.

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TENTHOUSAND FOR

Bartholdt Gets Appropriation for

creased From \$7,000.

The Republic Bureau,
Wyatt Building, 14th and F Streets.
Washington, Jan. 2t.—During the consideration of the Indian appropriation bill in the House this afternoon the item for the maintenance of the warehouse at St. Louis was increased from \$7,000 to \$10,000

Guthrie. Ok, Jan. 29—A charter was granted here to-day to the Kansas, Okla-homa and Poteau Railway Company, capi-tal 310-200, to build a line from Guthrie to Wagoner, and Poteau. I. T. The incor-

J. P. Winking Transferred . Mexico, No., Jan 22.—J. F. Winking, general superintendent of the roundhouse at Felton for the Burlington, has been transferred to St. Louis, where he will be forman of the Burlington roundhouse in. North St Louis. M. N. Marthews succeeds Mr. Winking at Felton.

WE BELIEVE THE WEATHER TO DAY WILL BE MUCH COLDER-FREEZING TO NIGHT AND SUNDAY.

Salesmen's Sample Skates. Extraordinarily Good Values.



(First Floor.) The weather indications promise lots of ice by to-morrow, and this sale of sample skates is an opportune one for skatera. We have fifty pairs of highgrade skates that have been used as salesmen's samples-a scratch here and there, but just as serviceable as any skates in our stock—sizes 81/2 to 12 inches. Prices now \$1.75 to \$3 per pair - value \$2 to \$3.50 "Klipper Klub" Skates for men

and boys, \$1.25 to \$5.00.

"Klipper Klub" Skates for la-

dies and girls, \$2.00 to \$4.00. "Klipper Klub" Hockey Skates —all sizes—\$1.50 to \$1.00. Jerseys-Full-fashion Worsted Jerseys, red and white stripe, or red and black stripe, \$2.25 and \$2.50 values, for \$2.00. Skating Sweaters-Heavy, all-wool Sweaters, with

Skating Toques or Stocking Caps-all colors and sizes -were 75c each-price now, while they last, 25c. Simmons Hardware G Sanday & Sychole

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Carriage Heaters \$1.50, \$3.25 to \$9.00. Horse Blankets \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.35, \$1.50 and up to \$12.50.

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LOCAL WAREHOUSE Indian Depot in St. Louis In-

Louis was increased from \$7,000 to \$10,000 on motion of Representative Bartholdt.

Contrary to expectations, Representative Mann of Chicago, who, some time ago announced that he would oppose; any appropriation for the St. Louis and Omaha, warchouses, interposed no objection.

Doctor Bartholdt's amendment was carried without a word of opposition. He stated, by way of explanation, that the officers in charge of the warchouse had advised him that it would be impossible to maintain the establishment for less than \$10,000. The chilman of the Committee of the Whole then called for the ayes and nees and the amendment carried.

The clerk read the bill with machine-like rapidity and precision, but Doctor Bartholdt was ready at the right moment, having been watching closely for the op-

Guthrie-Wagoner Line.

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Mexico, Mo., Jan 29.-J. P. Winking, gen-

